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five-page report, including location sketch, on the construction of apartment houses for Aircraft Engine Plant No. 45 in Moscow. The report also describes air raid shelters constructed in the basements of the apartment houses and the absence of civil defense lectures, training, or drills.

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NEW CONSTRUCTION AND AIR RAID SHELTERS IN MOSCOW

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1.

2. Refer to page 5, an overlay of the city of Moscow on which new construction sites are pinpointed. The following legend identifies numerical designations:

Point 1. Borovaya ulitsa (reference point).

Point 2. New construction on Borovaya ulitsa. This was a 10-story red brick building covered with buff ceramic tiles. The building was U-shaped, with one wing longer than the other. [redacted] the overall building length at 400-500 meters and the width at 15 meters. One wing was about 150 x 15 meters in area dimension, whereas the shorter wing was about 100 x 15 meters. Most tenants of this building worked in Plant 45, but 30 percent of the apartments were placed at the disposal of the Mos-Sovet,

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which rented them to city employees and to various factory workers. The building had 13 entrances; each entrance served two apartments, each of which had two, three, or four rooms ranging in size from 12 square meters to 25 square meters. The building had a basement which was designed to serve as an air raid shelter (see paragraph 3 below). Construction of the building was started in 1953 and it was finished by the end of 1955.

Point 3. New construction area. As of 1953, five or six 10-15 story apartment buildings were under construction in this area. These buildings were finished by the end of 1955 or in the early part of 1956.

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Point 4. Meyerovskiy proyezd (reference point).

Point 5. New construction on Meyerovskiy proyezd. The construction of this building was started in summer of 1955 and was not completed in October 1956.

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This building was supposed to be used for Plant 45 personnel only. It was a six-story structure of white-buff brick, U-shaped, 250-300 x 15 meters in area dimension, with two wings, each about 150 x 15 meters in area dimension. The building's basement was designed to be used as an air raid shelter (see paragraph 3 below).

Point 6. Rayon boundary (reference point).

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Point 7. Parkovaya Tret'ya ulitsa.

Point 8. Pervomayskaya Verkhnyaya ulitsa.

Point 9. Izmaylovskiy bulvar.

Point 10. The construction of this building was started in 1953 and was finished in December 1954. This was a U-shaped, white-buff brick building. The center section had six stories, the wings had five stories. The center section building was 200-300 x 15 meters in area dimension,

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and the wings were each 100-150 x 15 meters in area dimension. Each of the six entrances served two three-room apartments. The rooms ranged in size from 16 square meters to 22 square meters. ~~One resident~~ had one room (20 square meters) for which he paid monthly 56 rubles for rent, eight rubles for electricity, three rubles for gas, and eight rubles for his share of the telephone (shared by all three tenants of the apartment). All residents in this building were Plant 45 employees. The building also had a basement which could be used as an air raid shelter. (see paragraph 3 below)

Point 11. Parkovaya Odintzovskaya ulitsa. (see map)

Point 12. New construction area. Many apartment buildings, ranging from five to ten stories in height, of various sizes, were built in 1950-1956 in the area between Parkovaya 3-ya ulitsa to Parkovaya 13-ya ulitsa.

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#### Air Raid Shelters

3. The new buildings on Meyerovskiy proyezd and on Borovaya ulitsa, and ~~the house on~~ ~~the house on~~, all had basements which were intended to be air raid shelters. In each of the above mentioned buildings the shelter area occupied all of the basement space, and there were no basement living quarters. The basement in each building was partitioned in sections, and provided sufficient space for all tenants of the particular building. The walls in the air raid shelter were of reinforced concrete, one meter thick at the bottom, one-half meter thick at the top. The ceiling was of reinforced concrete one-half meter thick. The solid, double steel doors had rubber gaskets and there was an airlock between the two doors. The total thickness of the doors was 20 centimeters. There were no holes or windows in the doors. Each section had several rooms, each 45-60 square meters, three to four meters in height, with separate toilets for men and women (each toilet room was 12 square meters in area dimension) and a kitchen 16 square meters in size. Each kitchen had 20-25 stoves. All rooms in each section were connected by doors. There were plugs in the walls for telephones and radios or television sets, however none of this equipment nor stores of any kind were in the shelter. There were water pipes and water taps in the kitchen.

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the building shown as point 2, page 5 had a tunnel which led from the basement of one wing to the street. The tunnel was constructed of brick, three meters in height, one meter in width, and about 10-12 meters in length of distance from the basement to the street. These air raid shelters were slightly below ground level.

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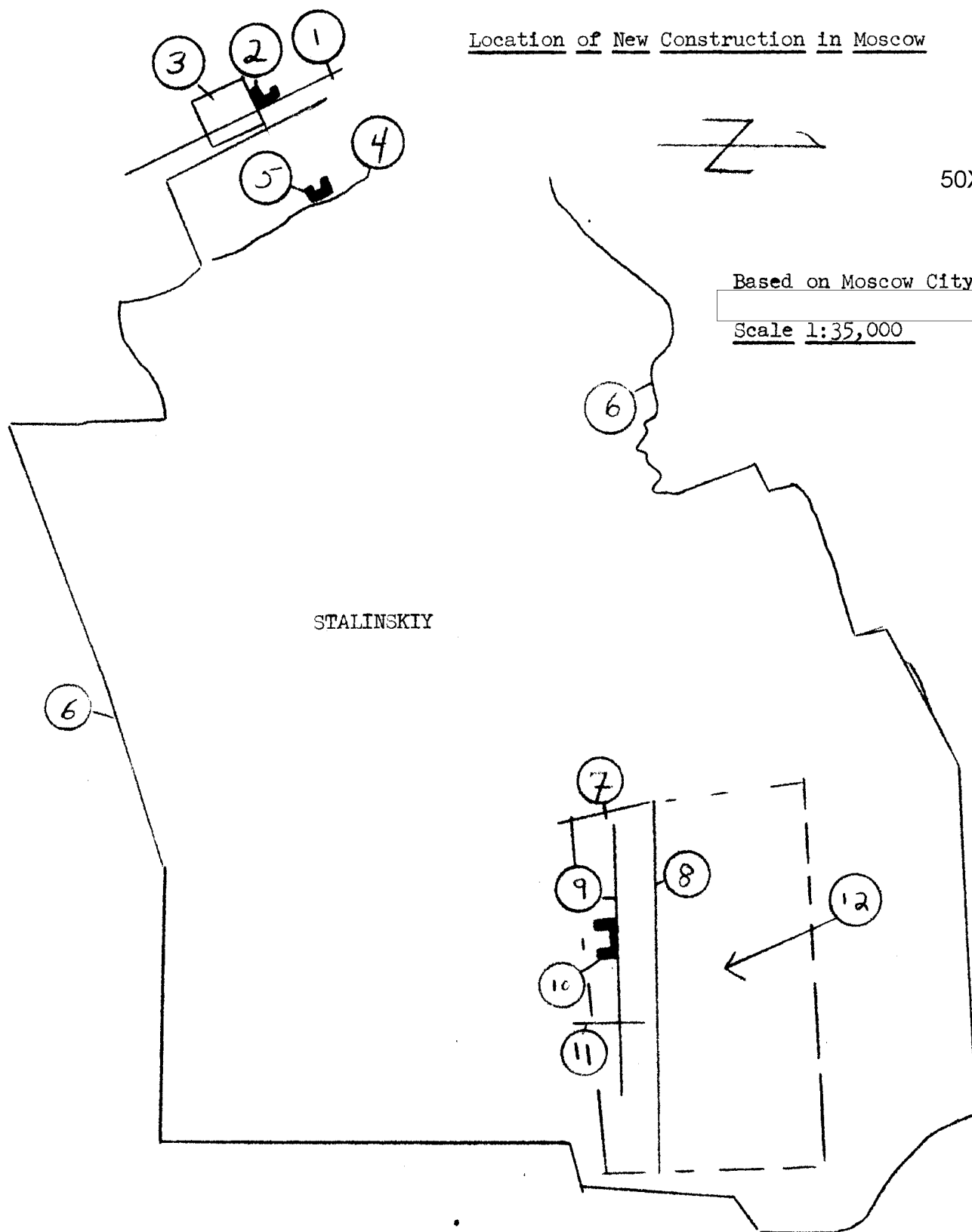
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Location of New Construction in Moscow



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